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- Almost the entirety of my aviation career has taken place here in Arizona.
- I attended the University of Arizona, where I graduated Summa cum Laude in 2001. During my time in Tucson, I took flight lessons at Tucson International and Marana Regional Airports. I also founded the University of Arizona Flying Club, providing a resource for fellow aviators and aviation enthusiasts.
- I began flight instructing at Scottsdale Airport in the fall of 2001, and was a founding member of the Arizona Flight Training Workgroup.
- From 2003-2004, I instructed for Mesa Airlines Pilot Development. I was the Chief Instructor for this FAA-Approved part 141 pilot school, providing instruction for students enrolled in Arizona State University's collegiate aviation program.
- From 2004-2005, I served as a First Officer for Mesa Airlines, based out of Philadelphia, flying the Canadair Regional Jet.
- From 2005-2010, I flight instructed for Airline Training Center Arizona, where I provided instruction to ab initio students for Lufthansa Airlines. I also created and implemented an Initial Flight Instructor training program for German Air Force CFI applicants, resulting in a 100% pass rate on initial practical tests.
- I began my career with the FAA in February 2011.
  - I served as Principal Operations Inspector (POI) to numerous operators of various sizes. These included large and small part 135 air carriers, agricultural operators, and part 141 pilot schools.
  - I provided instruction to new-hire inspectors at the Scottsdale FSDO.
  - I served as a Front Line Manager, where I supervised a unit of 12 inspectors.
  - I oversaw the Designated Pilot Examiner (DPE) Program, as the Scottsdale FSDO's DPE Program Manager. In that capacity, I managed 40 DPE's during a time of enormous transition, including the new Airmen Certification Standards and revised Designee Order.
  - In October 2015, I received the Regional Administrator's Award for Leadership Excellence.